

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE Nov 15, 1985

FULL NAME Lawrence O. Brenaut SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER NOT KNOWN
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ADDRESS [REDACTED]

CITY Wakefield STATE MA ZIP CODE 01880

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January 30, 1986

Mr. Robert H. Hempe
Scout Executive
Minuteman Council, No. 240

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Lawrence O. Brehaut

Dear Bob:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
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cc: Northeast Region

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NEW ENGLAND NEWS BRIEFS

Corruption trial jury hears more evidence

The jury in the corruption trial of former Justice Department prosecutor David P. Twomey heard more evidence yesterday that confidential information was leaked by a marijuana smuggler, Frank Lepere of Marshfield. Twomey, 40, is on trial in US District Court in Boston, charged with selling information to Lepere in return for \$210,000 in cash and a 30-foot speedboat. Twomey headed a task force that investigated Lepere. In testimony yesterday, another marijuana smuggler said Lepere tipped him off about the existence and identity of a government informant inside his organization. The smuggler, Robert Frappier 37, formerly of Southwick, said Lepere telephoned him in March 1983, while they were both fugitives and warned him that a member of his organization, Thomas Tindall, was a government informant.

Prosecution opens in Wadsworth trial

PITTSFIELD - Prosecutors attempted to prove yesterday that former Berkshire County treasurer JoAnn H. Wadsworth was part of a plot to steal county retirement funds. Wadsworth, 41, who served as county treasurer from 1960 to 1984, is charged with conspiring with former Norfolk County treasurer James M. Collins and Malden banker Arthur Tanger in a stock transaction that allegedly bilked \$12,000 in funds from the Berkshire County Retirement System. (UPI)

Developers upset over Roxbury land

A member of a development team that includes Cities Center Robert Parish yesterday said he was displeased because it appears that the Flynn administration has gone back on its word to allow him and Parish to develop condominiums at the vacant Charles Bulfinch School in Roxbury. The staff of the Public Facilities Department, which handles the disposition of surplus city-owned property, instead recommended

10 men arrested in ticket dispute

Ten out-of-state men were arrested Tuesday, one twice, by Foxborough police and charged with trespassing and disorderly conduct after complaints from New England Patriots season ticket holders of being harassed after buying tickets at Sullivan Stadium for Super Bowl 20.

Allston man, mother killed in Fla. crash

An Allston man and his mother were identified yesterday as the victims of drowning in a pond near Walt Disney World's Epcot Center in Orlando, Fla. The bodies of Toy Wo Yee, 57, and her son, Richard D. Yee, 33, of Fordham Road, were found Tuesday about 15 feet from their rented car in a pond adjacent to the parking lot. Police said the car's plunge into the pond probably occurred on Friday, during the worst thunderstorm of the season. "We can only speculate that that's when it happened," said Randy Means, spokesman for the Orange County Sheriff's Office. He said the car was headed out of the parking lot and the most logical reason for its going into the pond unseen by other visitors was the intensity of the storm, which made driving extremely difficult.

Dukakis signs bill on transport funds

Gov. Dukakis has signed into law a two-year transportation bond bill worth almost \$2 billion in federal and state funds. The \$945.6 million bond authorization and \$2.5 million in appropriations will qualify the state for an additional \$1.012 billion in federal grants to improve highways, bridges, rapid transit and rail systems.

Seat-belt foes ready for ballot question

Opponents of the state's new seat-belt law say they have more than enough signatures to force a binding referendum in November on the law that requires drivers to



INAUGURATION - George Keve House, congratulates Brian Doni Fisher, Junior College at Donnelly Trinity Church.

Man gets prison term in the raping of boys

CAMBRIDGE - Lawrence A. Brehaut, a 42-year-old Wakefield scoutmaster and soccer coach, was sentenced to 10 to 15 years in the Massachusetts Correctional Institution at Cedar Junction in Walpole yesterday after he pleaded guilty in Middlesex Superior Court to 26 indictments charging him with raping young boys, posing them in the nude, and showing them obscene materials.

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Dear Ernie -

The enclosed newspaper item is self explanatory and should be added to the file on Lawrence Brehaut.

If any additional material comes to light I will send copies.

Thanks for all your help.

*Sincerely
P.H. Hempe*



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December 21, 1984

Mr. Robert H. Henpe ✓
Scout Executive
Minuteman Council, No. 240

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Dear Bob:

I want to thank you again for all the material and information which you have given us related to Lawrence D. Brehaut. This will be most helpful to us as we continue to build a file.

I am sure you will keep us informed as this case progresses, since all this information will be most helpful to us as we later evaluate our continuing refusal of registration.

I am enclosing a Confidential Record Sheet which you may want to complete whenever you have the opportunity. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions where we can be of help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
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cc: Northeast Region

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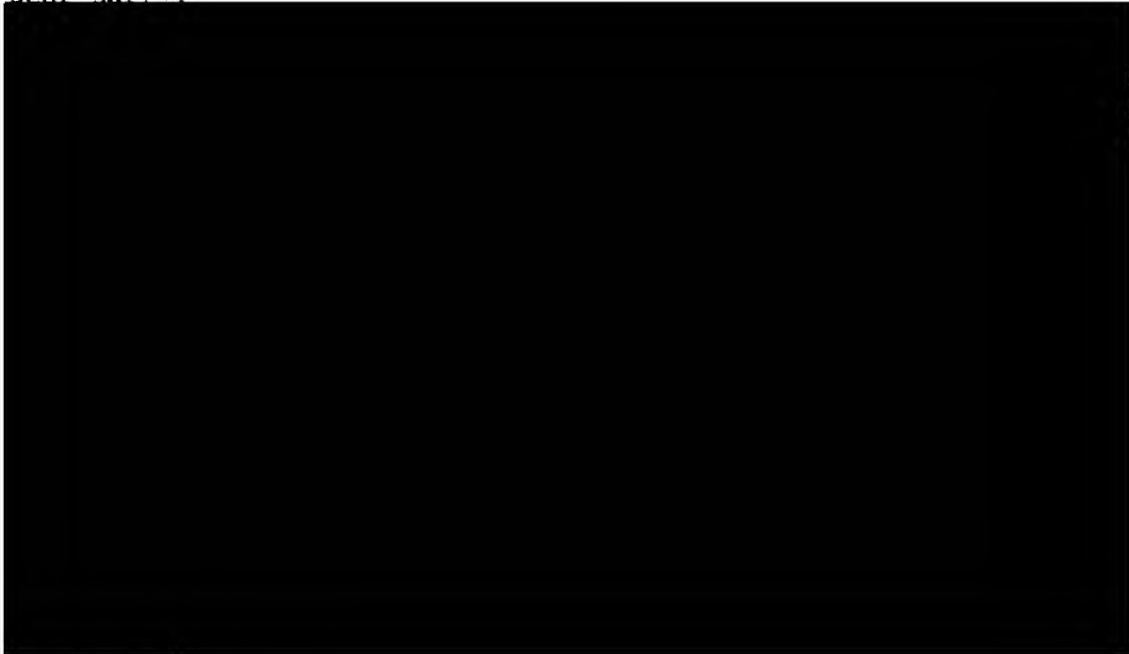
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Enclosed material for your file —
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informed.*

Thanks

Bob



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Accused scout leader backs by 50 in Wakefield

About 50 persons gathered at Wakefield Town Common yesterday to show support for a Boy Scout leader facing a charge of sexual assault against an unidentified youth.

Letters of support from the group to be given to 41-year-old scout leader Lawrence O. Brehaut, Merrill Mezikofsky, the rally organizer, said.

Brehaut, a Burlington teacher for 16 years, pleaded innocent last week to a charge of sexually molesting a boy under 14 years of age.

Mezikofsky, a friend of Brehaut's, said he fears the charges will harm the image of the Boy

Scouts of America and discourage work for the organization.

"I'm sort of nervous for the BSA... When you see something like this, it puts a black mark on the Scouts," Mezikofsky said.

"People might be afraid to join," Mezikofsky - also a Scout leader - said Brehaut is at an unidentified hospital because "he's dependent," and Brehaut's parents will deliver the letters to their son.

"It's so surprising this happened," he said. "Even if he comes out innocent, it will still be tough to face everyone."

Yesterday's show of support, he hopes, will help Brehaut feel comfortable with friends.

Rally staged for Scout leader on sex charge

By JOE SCIACCA

THE ORGANIZER of a rally today to show support for a Wakefield Boy Scout leader facing child sex charge said he wouldn't mind the aspect being the scoutmaster of his own two sons.

Merrill Mezikofsky, said the accused scout leader, Lawrence Brehaut, is "a man of character."

Asked whether he would allow Brehaut to have children, Mezikofsky said, "Knowing Larry, I wouldn't mind. We know his good

even if he's guilty, we forgive him because you can't overlook all the good he's done for

the community," Mezikofsky said.

Brehaut, 41, has been a Burlington teacher for 16 years as well as a Boy Scout troop leader in Wakefield.

He pleaded innocent this week to a single charge of sexually molesting an unidentified youngster under 14 years of age.

Mezikofsky, a scout leader himself, said he will lead a rally on the Wakefield Town Common this morning to gather letters of support for Brehaut.

"Larry has an awful lot of friends," he said. "I've known him for 16 years. He's volunteered hundreds and hundreds of hours working with young boys and even coached a soccer team."



LOYAL: Wakefield Scouts, from left, Robert Driscoll, 12, Sean Cleary, 13, and Eric Driscoll, happily sign a letter of support for accused scout leader Larry Brehaut. Herald Photo by Phyllis Greber Jensen.

Scouts support leader facing child sex charge

By JOE SCIACCA

SUPPORTERS of Boy Scout leader Lawrence O. Brehaut, including some youngsters from his scout troop, rallied on Wakefield Town Common yesterday to protest his arrest on a child sex charge.

Craig Hudson, 14, who earned Scout merit badges with Brehaut's help, said, "He's a real good guy. I think he's innocent because he helps people all the time. I never heard any stories about him."

Joe Clark, whose son James was in Brehaut's troop several years ago, said, "I think he (Brehaut) got a real bum deal."

"He's not guilty until proven guilty, but his life is in shambles because of all the publicity," Clark said.

Brehaut's arrest last week stunned Wakefield, a town 15 miles north of Boston where he

had been active in youth groups for many years.

The 41-year-old bachelor pleaded innocent to a single charge of indecent assault and battery on a minor and has since kept a low profile. Police have released no specifics on the case.

About 40 friends and supporters gathered in the crisp morning air yesterday on the common. They collected letters of support to be delivered to Brehaut.

Victor Kirmes, 70, a longtime neighbor of Brehaut, said, "I'll back him up any way I can. I don't think the guy is capable of anything intentionally indecent."

"I've known Larry since he was a boy delivering newspapers," Kirmes said. "This thing is one hell of a mess. This is a small town and there's so much sensationalism."

Brehaut, who also teaches middle school in Burlington, is free on bail pending his return to court on Dec. 19.

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Saturday on the Common

Residents gather in support of Brehaut

By MARK MICHELI

WAKEFIELD — There is a scientific principle which dictates that for every action there is a reaction.

Last Saturday morning about 35 to 40 residents reacted to the Wakefield Police Department's action of arresting local resident Lawrence Brehaut on child molestation charges and the media's subsequent action of printing the charges in their newspapers.

The small gathering, which included several Boy Scouts, met at a bandstand on the Common at 10 a.m. to show their support for the Bennett Street resident, Burlington High School 11th grade teacher, scout leader and boys' soccer coach who has been accused of indecent assault and battery on a child under the age of 14. Saturday's informal press conference at the bandstand was staged by Fosters Lane residents Gloria and Merrill Mezikosky, who say they have known Brehaut for about 20 years and have worked closely with him in several community programs, including the scouts.

Whether Brehaut is found guilty or innocent of the charges, Saturday's gathering will not have been held in vain, according to Merrill Mezikosky, who addressed the group.

"We overlook his imperfections in this recent incident concerning Larry, we feel that he is innocent of the charges, but if he were found guilty, we forgive him, for all of his imperfections."

Mezikosky went on in his speech to ask that "the boy and the family" be pressed charges, forgive Larry, neither he is or is not guilty of the offense. "We seek reinstatement for Larry, to his position as a coach, scout leader, and we want Larry to be able to face people in this community, by knowing that we stand behind him."

Gloria Mezikosky, a language teacher at the North Street School, said she and her husband have not spoken to Larry since before he was arrested on Nov. 18.

"His parents are the only ones who

FOSTERS LANE RESIDENT Merrill Mezikosky spoke to local and Boston news reporters at Saturday's support rally for Lawrence Brehaut on the Common. (JGH Photo)

can speak with him now. He is in an undetermined place. It is believed that the best place for Larry at this time is anywhere outside of Wakefield."

The Mezikoskys collected letters of support for Brehaut which they had planned on delivering to him in the future. "We are waiting for Larry to come back and we are waiting for him to come back and we are waiting for him to come back."

Residents James and Joanne Clark, along with their son James and his wife, Jane, showed up at the

Common in support of Brehaut.

The younger James met Larry through the Wakefield Auxiliary Fire Department and the scouts.

"I don't know if you're aware of it or not, but you're not the only one who's been in the papers. My mother Joanne and I have worked with Larry for years. It is not in my mind that something like this would happen. I don't have to make headlines until the man was tried."

Betty and Jim Huron of Cordia

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ABOUT 35 TO 40 RESIDENTS gathered on the town Common Saturday in support of Lawrence Brehaut. (JGH Photo)

Brehaut

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street agreed with the Clarks in their perception of the media's coverage of the case.

"I think the media is crucifying an innocent man," Betty Hurton said. "I have great respect for the man," added Jim Hurton, a civil defense worker who said he had assisted Brehaut in scouting projects.

The letters of support the Mezikosky collected will be sent to Brehaut along with a general letter, signed by numerous supporters, which reads, "Dear Larry, we'd like you to know that we're behind you and hope that everything turns out in our favor. We're supporting you for everything you've done for this community and its our way of saying

thanks."

Merrill Mezikosky, a chemist who worked with Brehaut as a cub scout leader, said he had expected more residents to show up in support of Brehaut. He speculated that the holiday weekend, as well as some residents' reluctance to be associated with this matter, made Saturday's turnout lower than expected.

Adult residents were accompanied by several local youths to Saturday's gathering, which also drew the attention of Boston TV and newspaper reporters.

Fourteen-year-old Leigh Muscol said he learned about the support gathering for Brehaut by reading Friday's Daily Item.

"I have known Larry for a number of years," Muscol said. "He has helped me earn merit badges. He

would never do anything like that. He's too good."

Brehaut is scheduled for a pre-trial conference on Dec. 19 in Malden District Court. The result of that conference will determine whether there is enough evidence against Brehaut to warrant a trial or a hearing before a grand jury.

According to Middlesex Assistant District Attorney Patricia Bernstein, the charges of indecent assault and battery against a child under the age of 14 carry a maximum sentence of 10 years in prison or up to two and one half years in a house of correction.

The Burlington School Committee, which temporarily suspended Brehaut from his teaching job when they learned about his arrest, is holding a closed hearing on Wednesday to determine whether they will continue his suspension.

Context of statement

(The following statement was read by Merrill Mezikosky at the formal press conference he organized in support of Lawrence Brehaut, who has been charged with indecent assault and battery on a child under the age of 14.)

Ladies and Gentlemen: Boys and girls in America. Only in this country, can people meet like we do, today, to speak out freely.

As we all know, America is not without its imperfections. It has its blemishes. America is the most beautiful country in the world, and many will attest to that, being a country of around 250 million, the greatest melting pot in the world.

Yet, it allows pornography, gay rights movements, lesbianism, abortion, Nazi parades, and all that, but we, in America, tend to overlook the bad and look to the brighter sides, of which freedom is the greatest. Including the right to hold public gatherings, in

support of a man who is being charged with a crime, whether he is or is not guilty. We are not here to defend Larry Brehaut, we are here to defend the right of a man to be able to teach in this community, by knowing that we stand behind him. We would like to call on all of you to sign a letter for Larry to read, letting him know that we care. And if we have a letter for you to sign, which will be presented to his parents for Larry. Please take time for taking the time to be here.

We pray that the boy and his family who were charged, forgive Larry, whether he is or is not guilty.

Scoutmaster, charged with indecent assault

WAKEFIELD — A locally prominent scoutmaster, boys' soccer coach and Burlington elementary school teacher faces arraignment in Malden District Court today on charges of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14 years of age. Forty-one-year-old Lawrence Brehaut was arrested yesterday at about 10 a.m. in his home at 27 Bennett St. by Wakefield Police Lieutenant Anthony Buccell and Wakefield Inspector Arthur O'Keefe.

Police say Brehaut was held on \$2500 cash bail before being released later yesterday.

Although officers are remaining cautious in releasing details of their investigation, they did say that an

alleged incident — which led to the arrest — reportedly took place on Aug. 28 and involves an out-of-town male youngster.

Police added that their investigations into the matter currently involve one alleged incident of indecent assault and battery on a child under 14 years of age.

Brehaut, a sixth grade science and math teacher at the Marshall Simonds Middle School in Burlington and a former teacher and dramatic coach at the Hurd Elementary School in Wakefield, was arrested on a warrant issued out of Malden District Court.

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He has been very active in youth programs in this area and coached the Wakefield boys under 10 Strikers soccer team when they won the state championship on June 28.

He has been active in scouting for at least 12 years, having served as the Wakefield/Melrose Assistant District Scouting Commissioner and as the Chairman of Scouting Operations in the Powder Keg District communities of Melrose, Wakefield, Reading and North Reading. In 1972, Brehaut won the "Commissioner of the Year Award in Scouting," and in 1978 he earned the Silver Beaver Award given by the Middlesex Council of the Boy Scouts. He has directed summer camps for the Scouts in the past.

Brehaut has also served as the President of the Burlington School System's Faculty Council and as the coordinator of the school's newspaper.

Brehaut, the president of the Wakefield High School Class of 1961 (at graduation he received the PTSA Award "for outstanding and unusual contributions to his school" and was voted "Most Courteous" and "Most Ambitious" in his senior class) earned a bachelor's degree in education from Boston State College. He had his own orchestra and was well known as a popular class jockey while in college.

While in Junior High School, Brehaut earned the "Boy Citizen of the Year" Award as a ninth grader. He was very active in the CYO, especially in drama and music, being a saxophonist and clarinetist, and was in the Woburn

Burlington teacher charged with molesting boy

By Joanne Ball
Globe Staff

A 16-year veteran Burlington schoolteacher was suspended from his job without pay yesterday pending a court hearing on a charge that he molested a boy.

Lawrence O. Brehaut, 41, of Bennett street, Wakefield, pleaded innocent at his arraignment yesterday in Malden District Court to indecent assault and battery on a child under the age of 14, authorities said.

Wakefield Police Lt. Anthony Ducl said Brehaut was arrested at his home Sunday.

complaint lodged by a member of the victim's family. He said the alleged assault occurred at a Wakefield home last Friday, but Ducl declined to give the location or describe the reported assault.

Brehaut, a Boy Scout leader for many years, was released on \$2500 bail pending a pretrial conference on Dec. 19, according to Patricia Bernstein, Middlesex County assistant district attorney.

Burlington School Superintendent Michael ordered Brehaut to leave the English and science teacher at the Marshall Simonds Middle School suspended for five days without pay beginning Tuesday.

"This completely shocked us," Michael said in an interview yesterday.

"but we have to place a priority on the safety of our youngsters. We don't want to play judge and jury but in a case like this, with these charges," he said, "we have no other choice."

"He's a fine teacher," said Marshall Simonds principal Richard Connors in an interview. "I can't say enough nice things about him." Connors said Brehaut also is adviser to the school newspaper.

Those interviewed yesterday said Brehaut is unmarried and lives with his elderly parents. In addition to his scouting affiliation, Brehaut is a member of the Wakefield Volunteer Fire Department, a coach for youth soccer, and is involved in church activities.

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SCOUT CHIEF FACES CHILD SEX CHARGE

A WAKEFIELD teacher and Boy Scout leader pleaded innocent yesterday to a single charge of sexually molesting a youngster under 14 years of age.

Lawrence O. Brehaut, 41, of 27 Bennett St., was arrested early Sunday in his home, which the bachelor shares with his parents.

Police would say only that the investigation into Brehaut's alleged involvement with one out-of-town child was continuing and that other charges might be lodged.

Brehaut has taught in Burlington schools for the past 16 years and directed a Boy Scout day camp in Saugus for the last four summers.

The heavy, bespectled man, now, teaches the sixth grade at Marshall Simonds Middle School and has advised the school newspaper, "Simonds Says," for the past 11 years, according to school principal Richard Connors.

"He's a fine and excellent teacher. This is quite a shock. He's a teacher who has been asked for their children because of his hard work for the kids. He

By TIMOTHY CLIFFORD

gave a lot of himself," said Connors.

The principal said there never been any complaints about Brehaut. School authorities were making a decision on Brehaut's status yesterday, but it was not announced.

Brehaut also leads Boy Scout Troop #703 at the Wakefield-Lynnfield United Methodist Church, along with directing Camp Akela in the summers and serving as a district commissioner.

The executive director of Boy Scouts' Minuteman Council, Robert Hepp, said: "None of us here can believe it. He has been in scouting for a long time. There's never been a hint of any trouble."

"He seems very orderly, thorough and relates



LAWRENCE Brehaut, an 'excellent teacher.'

well to people. He's well liked by the people here," added Hepp.

The executive director said that some action would be taken in Brehaut's case, but added that no decision has been

made.

Brehaut, who was released on \$2,500 cash bail and ordered back into court Dec. 19, refused to comment after his arraignment in Malden District Court.

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Brehaut arraigned Wednesday

WAKEFIELD — Lawrence O. Brehaut of Wakefield is expected to be arraigned in Middlesex Superior Court in Cambridge Wednesday on 27 charges, including eight counts of rape of child and posing children in the nude in order to take their pictures.

The 41-year-old Bennett Street resident — a Burlington sixth-grade teacher until his resignation Jan. 23 — was indicted last Thursday by a Middlesex County grand jury.

The 27 charges include eight counts of rape of child, eight counts of posing a child in a state of nudity, nine counts of disseminating (pornographic) matter harmful to children, and one count of indecent assault and battery on a ninth child.

Originally, Brehaut was charged with only the indecent assault and battery on a child under 14, following his arrest Nov. 18 by Wakefield Police after an out-of-town youth came forward with details of an alleged assault by Brehaut on Aug. 28.

Despite the grand jury indictments and the scheduled arraignment Wednesday, Brehaut was still scheduled to appear in Malden District Court today where he faces the one charge of indecent assault and battery.

Wakefield Police officials today expected that the case against Brehaut in district court would be dismissed today, and the indecent assault charge would be part of the superior court proceedings against the Wakefield man.

Wakefield Police Inspector Arthur O'Keefe told the Daily
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Brehaut arraignment

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Times Chronicle this morning that "he (Brehaut) can't be charged twice for the same crime; and the superior court case will override the district court case."

Inspector O'Keefe further stated that Assistant District Attorney Patricia Bernstein had attempted to get Brehaut and his attorney Thomas Sullivan to forego appearing in Malden court today, and simply "surrender himself in Cambridge instead."

However, Brehaut and his attorney were expected to ap-

pear today in Malden to conduct the district court proceedings to the end.

Brehaut recently resigned from his teaching position at Burlington's Marshall Simonds Middle School after having been suspended following his arrest last November.

Arrested at his home, Brehaut is now alleged to have taken the photographs that depicted the children in a state of nudity, with the incidents occurring over a six-year period. Wakefield Police, however, say the acts may stretch as far back as 20 years.

According to Assistant DA Bernstein, the investigation of further incidents came as a direct result of the first charge.

That investigation led to the discovery of other victims by tracking down the youths through the photographs found in Brehaut's home, and to the subsequent indictments by the grand jury.

Wakefield Police said Brehaut's victims were boys mostly in the age bracket of 10 to 15 years old.

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At Superior Court . . . Brehaut's arraignment set for Wed.

By MARK MICHELI

WAKEFIELD — Bennett Street resident Lawrence Brehaut is scheduled to be arraigned in Cambridge Superior Court Wednesday on charges that he molested nine boys over the past six years in Wakefield.

The 41-year-old former scout leader and boys' soccer coach, who recently resigned from his sixth grade teaching job in Burlington due to "medical reasons," appeared in Malden District Court this morning where he had been scheduled for a probable cause hearing. Although

that hearing was continued until Feb. 11, it is believed that it will be dismissed in district court following his arraignment in Superior Court on Wednesday.

Following this morning's brief appearance before Judge James W. Killian, 3rd, Assistant District Attorney Patricia Betts explained that Brehaut would have been taken off bail. If the district court hearing was dismissed prior to him being arraigned in Superior Court. The district court hearing had been

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scheduled when Brehaut was charged with only one count of indecent assault and battery against a child under the age of 14.

Bernstein brought the case before a grand jury in Superior Court which indicted him on 26 charges, last Thursday. The 26 charges Brehaut faces in court on Wednesday are eight counts of rape against children, one count of indecent assault and battery against a child under 14, eight counts of posing a child in the nude and nine counts of disseminating pornography.

Brehaut, who has been released on \$2,500 cash bail appeared in court today with his attorney, Thomas Sullivan of Melrose. Bernstein asked Judge Killam to allow the matter to be continued until next week and with Sullivan offering no objection, the hearing was continued until Feb. 11.

Brehaut faces a life sentence on the rape charges and 10 to 20 years imprisonment on each of the other 18 charges. The nine charges of "disseminating matters (pornography) harmful to minors," that Brehaut faces allegedly stem from accusations that he showed young boys pornographic magazines and photographs before he supposedly molested them.

According to local Police Inspector Arthur O'Keefe, seven of the children who have filed charges against Brehaut, are from Wakefield, one is from Burlington and the other is from Melrose. All claim they were between 10 and 13-years-old when they were supposedly molested, O'Keefe said.

He added that since news of Brehaut's arrest was publicized, several young adults volunteered information concerning alleged molesting incidents which supposedly occurred when they were children under Brehaut's supervision.

"This apparently has been going on for 20 years," O'Keefe commented last week.

A six year statute of limitations on child molesting cases prohibits those alleged victims from pressing charges, O'Keefe said.

According to O'Keefe, police have not yet ruled out the possibility that other adults were involved in the alleged crimes. Evidence which led to the indictments last week reportedly included over one dozen incriminating photographs of boys.

News of Brehaut's arrest on Nov. 18, 1984 alarmed many persons throughout this region, where he was renowned for his hard work and dedication to the youth of Wakefield, Lynnfield, Melrose and Burlington.

One week after his arrest on Nov. 28, a group of about 35 to 40 residents gathered on the Town Common to rally support for Brehaut, charging

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